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REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, the Examiner is requested to withdraw the rejections and allow Claims 49-68 and 89-99, the only claims pending and under examination in this application.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103

The examiner has rejected Claims 43-48 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Little, et al "Physiology of the Heart and Circulation". Solely in order to expedite allowance of the present application and without in any way agreeing with the position of the Office, Claims 43-48 have been cancelled.

Claims 49-68, and 89-99 have been previously allowed in this application.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all of the claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number PRTS-038.

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